

Happy 4th of July Weekend!

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Send us your news and events!
If you or your community group have any
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Please feel free to send this newsletter along
to your friends and neighbors and tell them to
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sign up for this newsletter.

Dear friends,

Have a wonderful and safe 4th of July
holiday weekend, celebrating our
nation's birthday!

These are challenging times, but we
have every reason to be in awe of our
country's heritage and ongoing
greatness, and to be thankful for the
efforts, sacrifices and achievements of
so many people from all walks of life
and realms of endeavor.

If the past is prologue, the future holds amazing promise, and
the 5th Council District, like the rest of the USA, is bursting
with patriotism, love of community, leadership, ideas, energy,
and a desire for peace, harmony and prosperity.

I am grateful for your dedication and civic involvement, and
look forward to the shared work and fun ahead.

Happy Independence Day, everyone!

Sincerely,

Paul Koretz

Fireworks Shows in Los Angeles County

Going to a professional fireworks show is truly the safest way
to celebrate the 4th of July.

Below is a listing of fireworks shows in the Los Angeles area for 2016. This list is provided by the the Los Angeles Fire Department, the Los Angeles County Fire Department, and the Children's Burn Foundation, and they will continue to add shows over the next several days, so please visit <http://www.safejuly4th.org/fwshows.htm>, for any possible updates.

Saturday, July 2

Hollywood

Hollywood Bowl

2301 North Highland Ave.

Celebrate Independence Day with the legendary rock 'n' roll band with horns: Chicago! One of America's most popular rock bands, the Grammy®-winning hit-makers ("Saturday in the Park," "You're the Inspiration" and many more) appear on three spectacular evenings featuring patriotic music, thrilling fireworks and more fun.

Saturday July 2, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

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<http://www.hollywoodbowl.com/tickets/group-tickets>

Irwindale

Irwindale Speedway

Night of Destruction presented by Pick Your Part & Seidner's Collision Centers featuring Independence Day fireworks

13300 Live Oak Ave.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.irwindalespeedway.com>

Hawaiian Gardens

Pharis Fedde Middle School

21409 Elaine Ave. (Pioneer & 215th St.)

Hawaiian Gardens

9:00 p.m.

Malibu (Private)

Barge off the Coast

21622 Pacific Coast Highway

9:00 p.m.

Pico Rivera

El Rancho High School

6501 S. Passons

Pico Rivera

9:00 p.m.

Valencia

Six Flags Magic Mountain
26101 Magic Mountain Parkway
9:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 3

Cudahy

Cudahy Park
5220 Santa Ana St. (Field that backs up to the Riverbed)
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9:00 p.m.

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La Mirada

La Mirada High School (Soccer Field)
13520 Adelfa Ave.
La Mirada
9:00 p.m.

La Puente

La Puente Park
501 N. Glendora Ave.
La Puente
9:00 p.m.

Norwalk

North City Library - Parking Lot
12350 Imperial Highway
Norwalk
9:00 p.m.

Santa Fe Springs

Los Nietos Park
11143 Charlesworth Road
They City's Independence Day Celebration will be held on
Sunday, July 3.

This year's event promises to be a fun-filled extravaganza. Festivities are from 3 - 9 p.m. and include Lulu's Tacos, California's Best kettle Corn, Pinewood Derby races, family games, wading pool, dunk tank, and a cool zone. The Community Horse Shoe Tournament registration begins at 8 a.m. Bring your blankets, chairs and enjoy and enjoy the smooth sounds of Soto from 7 - 9 p.m. followed by the fireworks show. the grand finale will be a spectacular Fireworks Extravaganza at 9 p.m. sharp! For more information on this family event, please call the Parks and Recreation Services Division at 562-863-4896.

Valencia

Six Flags Magic Mountain
26101 Magic Mountain Parkway
9:00 p.m.

Monday, July 4

Artesia

Artesia Community Park
12000 block of South Street / Elaine
Artesia
9:00 p.m.

Baldwin Park

Sierra Vista High School
3600 Frazier Ave.
Baldwin Park
9:00 p.m.

Calabasas

Calabasas High School
22855 W. Mulholland Hwy.
Calabasas
9:00 p.m.

Cerritos

Cerritos High School
12500 E. 183rd Street
Cerritos
9:00 p.m.

Claremont

Pomona College (Hammer Throw Field)
6th Street / N. Mills
Claremont
9:00 p.m.

Commerce

Rosewood Park (Parking lot of Youth Center)
2535 Commerce Way
9:00 p.m.

Culver City

West Los Angeles College
9000 Overland Avenue (near Jefferson)
Gates open at 4:00 PM
Suggested onation to enter.....\$5.00/person | Kids under age
5 - \$0.00
PARKING...\$10.00

The suggested donation for a carload of 4 or more guests is
\$30.00. That covers parking and entrance. If you can squeeze
6 in your car, you SAVE \$10.00 on entrance!!

There is a second entrance at 10100 Jefferson.

In addition to fireworks:

- Carnival Games
- Great Live Music by "Teresa James & the Rhythm Tramps"
- Raffle (prizes include a big screen TV, luxury condo stay in
Las Vegas, and aerial tour of Los Angeles)
- Lots of Food Trucks

<http://culvercityfireworksshow.com/>

Diamond Bar

Diamond Bar High School - Baseball Field
21400 E. Pathfinder Rd. (Pathfinder & Brea Canyon)
Diamond Bar
9:00 p.m.

Downey

Downey High School Stadium
11040 Brookshire Ave.
Freedom Fireworks Festival 6 PM to 9 PM
<http://www.downeyca.org/>

Gardena

Rowley Park (Baseball Field)
13220 S. Van Ness Ave.
Gardena
9:00 p.m.

Hansen Dam

11770 Foothill Blvd.
Lake View Terrace

A holiday celebration in the San Fernando Valley featuring
music and other live entertainment, food, and fireworks. Take
a swim in the 1.5-acre swim lake available for use during the
day.

July 4, 10 am – 10:00 pm

Fireworks around 8:30 p.m.

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Huntington Park

Salt Lake Park (Northwest Soccer Field)

3401 E. Florence Blvd.

9:00 p.m.

La Crescenta

Crescenta Valley High School

2900 Community Ave.

The event will be held at the Crescenta Valley High School field Please enter this year's event off of Ramsdell Ave.

The gates will open at 4 p.m., the music starts, the kids are running (yes, we will be having a few bouncies in 2016), the food trucks are cooking and everyone will come in to watch fireworks. The gates will close at 8:30 p.m., so be sure to arrive with plenty of time and then shortly after 9 p.m. the fireworks begin right on cue with the rockets red glare and a fifteen plus minute show lights up the sky.

<http://www.cvfireworks.com>

La Habra

La Habra High School (Baseball Field)

801 Highlander

La Habra

9:00 p.m.

Lancaster

Antelope Valley Fairgrounds

2551 West Ave H

4th of July Celebration!

A show in the sky will celebrate our nation's birth. FREE Fireworks Extravaganza* courtesy of Lancaster Auto Mall in conjunction with the City of Lancaster, Showdown Rodeo, Inc. and the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds. Immediately following fireworks go to the "after" party and dance to the music.

9:30 p.m.

Lancaster

Lancaster Municipal Stadium
2400 West Ave I
Lancaster
9:00 p.m.

Los Angeles

Grand Park
200 N. Grand Ave.
Los Angeles
9:00 p.m.

Los Angeles

Exposition Park
3980 Menlo Ave.
Los Angeles

Fireworks will begin at 9 p.m. and can be viewed from the South Lawn, in front of the Natural History Museum.

Long Beach

The Queen Mary
1126 Queen's Highway
Long Beach

4th of July aboard the Queen Mary is the ultimate Southern California tradition - a day of entertainment for the whole family ending with a giant fireworks extravaganza.

Entertainment begins at 2 p.m. - see you aboard!

Please note: You MUST have an All-American 4th of July ticket to board the ship on July 4th.

For more information or for tickets, visit:

<http://www.queenmary.com/events/july-fourth/>

Long Beach

Long Beach Veterans Memorial Stadium
5000 E Lew Davis St.
Long Beach

Veterans Stadium gates will open at 4:30 p.m. Friday, July 4, located at 4901 E. Conant on the Long Beach City College campus. The event is free, but parking near the stadium will be \$10 per vehicle.

9:00 p.m.

Lynwood

Lynwood City Park
3700 Beechwood Ave.
Lynwood
9:00 p.m.

Malibu (Private)

Barge off the Coast

23180 Pacific Coast Highway
9:00 p.m.

Marina Del Rey

Barge off Ballona Creek
Barges off Beaches and Harbor
near Admiralty and Fiji Way
Marina Del Rey
9:00 p.m.

Pacific Palisades

Palisades Charter High School
15777 Bowdoin Street
A concert and fireworks show follows the annual Pacific Palisades Fourth of July Parade. The parade is free; tickets to see the music and fireworks are \$10.
Entertainment 6:30 p.m.
Fireworks 9:00 p.m.

Pasadena

Rose Bowl
1001 Rose Bowl Dr.
Pasadena
2016 marks the 90th year of the Rose Bowl's annual AmericaFest event—a three hour show that culminates in one of the biggest fireworks shows around. This year, the event will include a Beatles tribute, motocross, and a live broadcast from NASA Mission Control as the space shuttle Juno arrives at Jupiter. Tickets start at \$13.

Pomona

Pomona Fairplex
1101 W. McKinley
It's the 30th annual fireworks spectacular at Fairplex. Monster trucks and Moto X extreme get the crowd cheering and the stupendous fireworks are the grand finale. The nighttime programming has been a crowd pleaser since its inception in 2002. It puts the boom in KABOOM! Monster Truck and Big Air Freestyle Motocross 8 p.m.

The Human Cannonball will soar 150 feet through the air to keep the crowd on its feet! Parking is \$10 at Gate 17 on Fairplex Dr. (gates open at 5 p.m.)

Combine your fireworks with a buffet - priced \$28 to \$58

For ticket information, visit: <http://www.fairplex.com/events/kaboom>

Box office hours:
Friday, July 1, noon - 6 p.m.
Saturday, July 2, noon - 4 p.m.

Monday, July 4, 10 a.m.until tickets are sold out

Porter Ranch

Shepherd of the Hills Church
19700 Rinaldi Street
Porter Ranch

The Free festival and fireworks show at Shepherd of the Hills Church in Porter Ranch includes moon bounces and face painting for the children, an outdoor stage show as well as optional food purchases from over a dozen local food vendors; all capped off with a twenty-one-minute aerial fireworks display.

July 4, 4:00 p.m. – 10 p.m., Gates open at 4:00

<http://www.theshepherd.org>

Redondo Beach

Seaside Lagoon
200 Portofino Way
Redondo Beach

For 2016, this family and kid friendly special event will feature first come, first serve seating throughout the Seaside Lagoon. Bring your beach chairs, blankets and umbrellas (tents are not permitted). All day fun for the kids includes swimming with family in the warm water Lagoon, inflatable slides, arts & crafts, party music from the Live DJ, and a special menu of food and beverages from Ruby's. You are also welcome to bring your own prepared foods and drinks.

The event will be alcohol free; no alcohol sales inside the Lagoon and no outside alcohol will be permitted.

We hope you enjoy this safe, family-friendly atmosphere to enjoy the Redondo Beach Independence Day Celebration!

- Gates open at 2:00 p.m.; Fireworks begin at 9:00 p.m.
 - Lifeguards on duty
 - Bring your own food and beverages
 - Alcohol free event
- Bring your beach chairs, blankets and umbrellas. No tents please.

<http://redondofireworks.com>

Rosemead

Rosemead Park (Football Field)
9200 Mission Ave. (at Encinitas)
Rosemead
9:00 p.m.

San Pedro - Cabrillo Beach

3800 Stephen M White Dr, San Pedro
For the 66th Annual 4th of July Spectacular
Cabrillo Beach will host a free 4th of July Celebration and

Fireworks show.

Noon-10 p.m. Spend the 4th of July with your family and friends and enjoy music, family activities, and of course, fireworks! This free event will take place at Cabrillo Beach, San Pedro, and will include a food truck festival at 2 p.m., along with a fireworks show at 9 p.m. to end the night.

Santa Clarita

Valencia Town Center
Off top of parking structure
26735 Circle Dr.
Santa Clarita
9:15 p.m.

South El Monte

South El Monte High School
1001 N. Durfee Ave.
South El Monte
9:00 p.m.

South Gate

South Gate Park
9615 Pinehurst (Corner of Pinehurst and Tweedy)
South Gate
9:00 p.m.

Stevenson Ranch

Dr. Richard Rioux Memorial Park
26233 Faulkner Dr.
Stevenson Ranch
9:00 p.m.

Studio City

CBS Studio Center
4024 Radford Ave., Studio City, CA 91604
This is a fun-filled family festival featuring exhibits, music, food, fireworks, a children's fun zone, and a business exposition in a back lot at CBS Studios.
July 4, 5:00 – 9:30 p.m., gates open at 4:30 p.m. (2016 details to be confirmed)
Adults \$20, Children 6-12 \$10, add \$20 for rooftop viewing access or pay \$100 for VIP tickets.
Free parking
www.studiocitychamber.com

Valencia

Six Flags Magic Mountain
26101 Magic Mountain Parkway
9:00 p.m.

Walnut

Walnut High School
South end of Baseball Field
21201 La Puente Road
9:00 p.m.

What can go wrong

According to the "Safe July 4th" organization, there is every reason to be concerned about illegal fireworks and a person's safety. Here's what they report:

Fireworks Injuries

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that in 2014, about 10,500 people were treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries associated with fireworks. Sixty-seven percent of these estimated injuries occurred in a one-month special study period (June 20, 2014 – July 20, 2014) around July 4. During the 2014 special study, more than half of the fireworks related injuries were burns. Most of the injuries involved hands and fingers, the head (including face, eyes, and ears), legs and arms. Children under the age of 15 years old accounted for 35 percent of the estimated injuries.

The National Fire Protection Association estimates that fireworks cause an average of 20,000 reported fires every year.

During 2007-2011, 91% of the average of 19,700 fires associated with fireworks per year occurred outside any structure or vehicle. The largest numbers of these outdoor fires associated with fireworks involved grass fires (6,800 per year), brush fires (4,500), dumpster fires (1,700), unclassified or unknown-type natural or vegetation fires (1,300) and other outside trash, rubbish, or waste fires (1,200).

In 2007-2011, four people per year were killed in fires started by fireworks, while data from death certificates show that five people per year were killed directly by fireworks. These estimates may overlap, because fireworks can directly kill someone while also starting a fatal fire.

On Independence Day in a typical year, fireworks account for two out of five of all reported fires, more than any other cause of fire.

Clearly, the hazards associated with the use of fireworks by other than professionals are many and should cause responsible parents to seek safer ways to celebrate the 4th of

July..

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Available at URL:
<http://www.nfpa.org/research/reports-and-statistics/fire-causes/fireworks>
2. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Available at URL:
<http://www.cpsc.gov/en/safety-education/safety-education-centers/fireworks/>

Please click on flier below for 4th of July Fireworks Tips for Pets.



Pet of the week

Stewbert is a cutie pie who wants to curl up and cuddle with you. He is a five-year-old, Chihuahua mix, whose owner moved and surrendered him. Stewbert's ID number is A1182083 and he is available for adoption this Saturday, July 2at the West Valley Animal Shelter, located at 20655 Plummer Street, Chatsworth, 91311. His adoption fee, along with his

furry friends, is \$10 courtesy of the #Freedom100 Adoption Special (a \$20 dog license fee is also required for City residents). For more information, visit LAAAnimalServices.com or call [888-452-7381](tel:888-452-7381).

Subway Construction traffic alert

The July 4th weekend will see the beginning of major construction activity on the Purple Line Westside Subway Extension, on Wilshire Blvd. at Fairfax.

Preparation begins for the placement of the steel beams that will surround the subway station box at Fairfax. Within a matter of weeks, the project contractor will begin to drill into the street, around the perimeter of the station, the deep holes where those long steel beams will be placed to be surrounded by concrete. The Wilshire at Fairfax station box will extend just under half a block west of Fairfax and about two blocks to the east. This part of the construction process will be followed in about six months by the excavation of the street, at which time the temporary concrete decking will be placed so that subway tunneling and further excavation can be done underground while cars can continue to travel overhead. In the initial weeks of June, the concrete decking operation began for the La Brea subway station, requiring full weekend closures of that area of Wilshire Blvd.

Beginning on Friday, July 1 at 8:00 p.m., the project contractor will commence reduction of travel lanes on Wilshire in order to place concrete K-rails along the north side of Wilshire, to protect the work zone from passing traffic. This procedure will be completed by early in the morning of July 4 and the travel lanes will be reconfigured to allow only for two travel lanes in each direction and left turn lanes during this phase. As the north side steel pile phase is completed, the K-rails will be placed for the south side of the street and the travel lanes will be reconfigured again.

For more information on-line regarding this project, please go to Metro, the governmental manager of this project, at www.metro.net/projects/westside/. The 24/7 project hotline can be reached at [\(213\) 922-6934](tel:(213)922-6934). You may also send an e-mail message to the project at Purplelineext@metro.net. Councilmember Koretz and his staff are closely monitoring the project, and are working with Metro and the project contractor to mitigate construction impacts upon neighborhoods and commuters. If you have any related concerns, please contact the 5th District transportation deputy, Jay Greenstein, at [\(323\) 866-1828](tel:(323)866-1828) or by email at Jay.Greenstein@lacity.org.

Minimum Wage landmark occasion

On July 1, 2016, Los Angeles took an incremental but concrete step toward having a minimum wage of \$15 an hour, a level it will reach by 2020. L.A. is now the first big city in the U.S. to be fully on the path to this goal, though others are following.

The new minimum wage in Los Angeles is \$10.50 an hour for those who work for companies employing 25 or more employees. That rate will go up each year until it reaches \$15 an hour in 2020. Companies with 24 employees or less basically follow that pattern, but at a pace one year behind the benchmarks set by the larger companies.

Mayor Eric Garcetti held a press event to celebrate the occasion, and discussed the importance of raising the minimum wage to help many hardworking people and their families to rise out of poverty. He said that "all Angelenos — from the boardroom to the factory floor — deserve a chance to share in this city's prosperity."

Among those joining the mayor at the press conference, which was held at the Boyle Heights Technology YouthSource Center, were Councilmembers Paul Koretz, Mike Bonin and Curren Price; Economic and Workforce Development Department General Manager Jan Perry; and Los Angeles County Federation of Labor Executive Secretary-Treasurer Rusty Hicks. Councilmember Koretz said, "the extra income for so many low and middle income people will make a huge difference in their quality of life, and their ability to live healthy, happy lives. It will also have a huge cumulative and positive impact on our local economy, because those added dollars they make will in turn be spent in ways that will add income to local businesses, and will also create and sustain jobs."

For more information about the minimum wage in Los Angeles, please visit <http://wagesla.lacity.org/>.

Meet and Greet Vince Bertoni

On June 27th, 2016, the new Director of City Planning, Vince Bertoni, went to Cheviot Hills to meet with 5th

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District constituents, as promised. Well more than 100 residents were on hand for the discussion with Mr. Bertoni and Councilmember Koretz, whose office presented this special event. Many issues were brought up and great questions and ideas were shared. The Councilmember thanks the Director and all who were able to attend this fine happening, and looks forward to hosting more such efforts.



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